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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

**AMENDMENT** 

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 18, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

## **IN THE ABSTRACT**

Please amend the Abstract at page 23, lines 3-17 to read as follows:<sup>1</sup>

It is an object to provide a semiconductor device having an improved heat dissipation characteristic. A power element is mounted on and jointed and to a metal block through a jointing material. An insulating substrate includes a ceramic substrate and metal layers formed on both surfaces of the ceramic substrate and having thicknesses equal to each other. The metal block and the insulating substrate are provided per insulation unit of the power element. The metal layer of the insulating substrate is joined to a surface of the metal block through a jointing material opposite to a surface thereof for forming the power element. An electrode terminal is attached to a surface of the metal block having a power element joined

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A marked-up copy of the changes made to the Abstract is attached.